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Washington Document Center

1. Your Disposition Form of 23 September, subject, Washington Document Center, indicates that consideration is being given to the assignment of that Center to the Office of Research and Evaluation. Examination of its operations indicates that its functions are only slightly related to the work that is assigned to the Office of Research and Evaluation. It, in effect, is a producer of raw information in the same sense that [redacted] and SSU are, and for that reason the problems of administering it would be almost similar to those of the other information producing agencies. It seems inappropriate, therefore, to single out this agency for assignment to ORE.

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2. It is, therefore recommended that consideration be given to assignment of the Washington Document Center to the Office of Operations. If there is any bar to such an arrangement on the grounds of security, it is suggested that WDC might logically be assigned either to the Office of Collection and Dissemination or to the Executive for Personnel and Administration.

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3. In response to the request made in your Disposition Form, [redacted] are designated to represent ORE in further discussions of the final disposition of the Washington Document Center.

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